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GAS DISCHARGE PANEL, GAS For:

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METHODS OF MANUFACTURE

## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

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In an attempt to fully comply with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, applicants wish to bring to the attention of U.S. Patent Office the following references: U.S. Patent Office the following references:

> U.S. Patent No. 5,587,624 U.S. Patent No. 5,640,068 Japanese Laid-Open Patent Application No. 2-148645 (with English abstract) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Application No. 9-231907 (with English abstract) Japanese Laid-Open Patent Application No. 8-95500 (with English abstract)

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Copies of these references and a form PTO 1449 are attached.

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